

PRAIRIE MUSIC ASSOCIATION
September 13, 2011 Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Amy Ganske at 7:00 PM.

In Attendance:

Karen Abben, Mike Davies, Colleen Galvin, Amy Ganske, Julie Hupp, Deron Jimmerson, Theresa Johnson, Michelle Krapfl, Cathy Krouse, Sharon Langenberg, Jan Martin, Craig McDonough, Melissa Otto, Kendra Purscell, Justin Sands, Marija Santos, Linda Slaughter, Chad Smale, Sondra Smale, Jennifer Streit, Kathy Toczylowski, Kelly Truax

President's Report:

1. Reviewed and updated PMA goals and functions for 2011–2012 year; separate updated document will be prepared.
2. August 24, 2011 meeting minutes were approved.
3. Would like to get web sites addresses for all music departments (Creek through High School).
4. Upcoming Events
 - a. Bands Across the Prairie, September 24, 2011;
 - b. Wreath & Candy Sale, September 26–October 10, 2011. Pick up November 17 and 18, 2011;
 - c. Indoor Marching Band Classic, October 10, 2011 (outdoors at Kingston Stadium), Rain Date October 17, 2011;
 - d. Music/Band trip to Festival Disney National Music Competition, March 1-5, 2012.
5. Show choir starts this weekend (September 16-18, 2011)
 - a. Food is arranged
 - b. Assistance needed for Mr. Sands was completed.

Treasurer's Report

1. Books are ready to give to Julie Hupp for tax return preparation;
2. Need final report from school district before numbers can be finalized for last year;
3. All elementary music teachers have been told their budget amounts for 2011-2012 school year.

Volunteer Report

1. PMA volunteer form will be made available on-line;
2. Having difficulty getting a volunteer list from Kathy Waycoff – issues with volunteer system.

Patron's Report

1. 18 patrons for a total of \$960 so far, goal for this year is \$10,000;
2. Letters to businesses started going out this week, Sharon will be following up with a phone call and/or visit to each business;
3. Patrons letters will be sent to high school band and show choir parents
 - a. Need to get letters to Creek and Point parents;
 - b. Form will be sent to all directors to forward to as many families and students as possible.
4. Will be in lobby before and after concerts.

Fall Fundraiser Report (Wreath and Candy Sale) (Theresa Johnson reported for Barb Hilgenkamp)

1. Stuffing envelopes will be done Sunday, September 18, 1 – 4 PM
2. Guaranty Bank in Fairfax has donated their community room for counting money
 - a. Wednesday, October 12, 2011
 - b. Monday, October 17, 2011

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- c. Wednesday, October 19, 2011
- 3. Guaranty Bank in Fairfax also donated \$100 – they will be listed as a business patron for these donations.

Bands Across the Prairie

- 1. All areas are covered for volunteers except hosts for bands
 - a. Need 20, have 10
 - b. 2 hour shifts
 - c. Tuesday, September 20 is walk through for host volunteers
 - d. Need cookies/bars for hospitality tent, a sign-up sheet was passed around
 - e. Do we need to clean the stadium the night before?
 - f. Was insurance purchased in case of incimate weather?

Indoor Marching Band Classic

- 1. Need 14 dozen cookies individually wrapped for Iowa State Band members' goodie bags
 - a. Need on Sunday, October 9, 2011, a sign-up sheet was passed around.

Webmaster Report

- 1. Prairiemusic.com is web site.
- 2. All minutes are posted on this web site.
- 3. Looking to get all web sites for all music departments so they can be linked from this web site.

Fab Five Committee Report

- 1. First meeting is Sunday, September 18.
- 2. Will be held in the Concert Hall again this year.

Show Choir Festival Committee

- 1. Mr. Sands indicated there is currently some confusion among the schools attending about the date, he is working on getting this straightened out.
- 2. Date is January 23, 2012.

CD Sales

- 1. Marija reported there is an issue regarding copyright laws and had some information on a company that would handle the distribution of CD's and make sure all copyright rules were being followed. This will be researched some more.

Directors Reports

- 1. High School Bands, Mr. Jimmerson
 - a. Bands Across the Prairie and Linn Mar shows are next week (September 24)
 - b. City High Competition is October 1
 - c. State Competition is October 8
 - d. Indoor Marching Band Classic is October 10, with rain date of October 17
 - e. 28 students are preparing for All State Auditions on October 22
- 2. High School Choirs, Mr. Sands
 - a. Chamber Choir members are working on All State Audition music
 - b. Show Choir workshops this weekend (September 16 – 18)

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- i. Costumes are ordered and coming in
- 3. Point Bands, Mr. Davies
 - a. Lessons have started and are going well
 - b. A few 9th graders are preparing for All State Auditions
 - c. U of Iowa Band Extravaganza November 16
 - d. Jazz band starts as follows:
 - i. 7th grade: Tuesday, October 11
 - ii. 8th grade: Thursday, October 6
 - iii. 9th grade: Monday September 26
- 4. Point Choirs, Ms. Truax and Ms. Purscell
 - a. 42 singers from Point auditioning for Opus Honor Choir
 - b. Boys choirs off to a great start, record number of 7th grade boys this year, 81
 - c. Auditions for Cantabile (9th Women's Select Choir) are next week
 - d. A Few Good Men (Select Men's Choir) begins in early October
 - e. All Choirs are preparing for first concert in October
- 5. Creek Bands, Mrs. Morton
 - a. 5th grade beginners have started lessons, band class will start in a few weeks
 - b. 190 5th graders
 - c. Student teacher every other day for this semester
 - d. Offering 6th graders trip to Indoor Marching Band Classic this year instead of the U of Iowa Band Extravaganza
 - e. Instrument drive proved successful, have no instruments left, would like to start another drive to get more instruments
- 6. Creek Choirs, Ms. Purscell
 - a. 37 students auditioning for Opus Honor Choir

Next meeting October 11, 2011.

Meeting adjourned 8:00 PM.